

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Claims 1 and 4-26 are present in the application. Claim 11 is amended herein to rewrite to independent form. Claims 5-10, 12-14, 17-22 and 24-26 are canceled. Claims 1, 4, 15, 16 and 23 were previously indicated to be allowable.

Claims are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ferren (US 4,968,132).

Claim 11 is indicated to be allowable if rewritten to independent form.

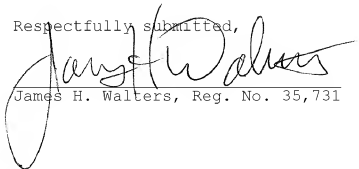
To further prosecution and lead to early grant of a patent, applicants have rewritten claim 11 to independent form, and have canceled the rejected claims, with reservation of the right to file further continuation applications directed to the canceled claims and their subject matter.

In light of the above noted amendments and remarks, this application is believed in condition for allowance and notice thereof is respectfully solicited. The Examiner is asked to contact applicant's attorney at 503-224-0115 if there are any questions.

It is believed that no further fees are due with this filing as the required fees are being submitted herewith. However, if additional fees are required to keep the application pending,

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